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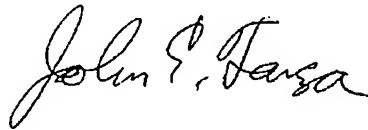
The claims have been amended to encompass the concept of using many different linkers simultaneously in plants followed by screening for polypeptides with the specific abilities. No combination of references discloses or suggests these claims. Accordingly, the previous rejections do not apply to the present claims.

An examination of these claims and issuance of a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this application is respectfully requested.

If needed, applicants petition for sufficient extension of time for consideration of this paper.

The commissioner hereby is authorized to charge payment of any fees, including extension of time fees, under 37 CFR § 1.17, which may become due in connection with the instant application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No.500933.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosed: Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time  
Request for Continued Examination

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